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Assistant Director, Intelligence Coordination

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Assistant Director, Research and Reports

Eligibility of Foreign Representatives to Receive Classified Security Information

REFERENCE: Your memo dated 1 November, subject as above

1. Classified information from OIR goes to foreign representatives in the United States through two channels:

a. Documents are forwarded to OIR for further forwarding to foreign representatives in accord with their procedures;

b. Verbal information is passed to individuals on authority or by direction of OIR or DD/T, or after approval is received from IAS.

2. This Office believes that points raised by subparagraph (b) of your memorandum, since the ICIS paper is slanted toward the mechanism for clearing individuals rather than toward the broader determination of what individuals it is proper to contact, should be finally decided by our own Inspection and Security Office. OIR asks IAS, "May we talk to so-and-so?" not "What must he have before you approve our talking to him?", which seems primarily an IAS concern. We are, however, as usual glad to express our opinion for whatever help it may be.

a. In general, we think CIA should seek exemption from the proposed regulations, on the grounds that our own precautions are as effective as the proposed identification paper and that the latter would complicate our present excellent reciprocal relations with [REDACTED]

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b. We suggest that the Agency view closely the proposed regulation in the light of the language of the National Defense Act of 1947, 102 (d) (3) " . . . that the Director of Central Intelligence shall be responsible for protecting intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure."

c. We can see little point to additional precaution for intermediate and junior personnel when diplomatic and consular personnel are exempted from the requirements.

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